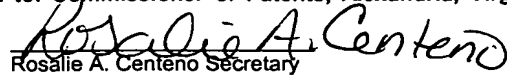


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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.56, Applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references:

- 1) DE 1 269 921
- 2) US 4,346,520
- 3) US 4,031,838
- 4) US 1,487,518
- 5) DE 1 125 317
- 6) GB 1 281 084

References 1 - 3 have been cited in the International Search Report and are submitted in order to provide the Examiner with easy access to said references.

References 4 and 6 are in the English language and therefore need no further

discussion as to their relevance. In accordance with United States Patent and Trademark practice, it is no longer necessary to enclose copies of U.S. Patents.

Reference 5 discloses a diminutive tank has a body with a flat top in which is a circular opening supporting a ring for the turret and an observation opening, which permits the head of an occupant to pass, and is located in a zone of the top defined between a vertical transverse plane tangential to the ring, a similar plane through the centre of the ring, the outside top edge between the two planes and another edge between the two planes adjacent, concentric and of only slightly greater radius than the ring. The opening may be covered by fixed overhead protection with eye-slits. Webs welded to the tank's sides support the ring.

Copies of the listed documents, with the exception of any US Patent references, are submitted herewith along with the form PTO-1449.

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Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this application is respectfully requested.

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